Rev. 09/01
For Other Than A Small Entity

PATENTS ATTORNEY DOCKET:

STK-071 CPA2

EI125462443US

OT 2 1 2002

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attorney Docket No. STK-071 CPA2

Examiner David S. Romeo
Art Unit 1647

Box RCE Hon. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

740.00 OP

01 FC:1801

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

#12 193 115/02

Sir:

This is a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, of pending prior Application No. 08/822,186, (Confirmation No. 6062), filed on March 20, 1997 for

IMPROVED OSTEOGENIC DEVICES AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF FOR REPAIR OF ENDOCHONDRAL BONE AND OSTEOCHONDRAL DEFECTS

1. Please enter the Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed on in Application No
2. Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief filed onin Application No
3. X An Amendment/Reply is enclosed.
4. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) is/are enclosed.
5. An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.
6. A suspension of action on the above-identified patent application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months.
7. X A check in the amount of \$740.00 in payment of the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is enclosed.
8. Please charge \$740.00 to Deposit Account No. 06-1075 in payment of the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.
9. X The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) in connection with this Request, on to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.
10. Please grant a one-month, two-month, three-month, four-month, extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to respond to the Examiner's Action of November 21, 2001 in the above-identified application. A Notice of Appeal was filed on May 21, 2002. An Appeal Brief or this response together with a Request for Continued Examination would be due on October 21, 2002, with a three-month extension of time.
11. \overline{X} A check in the amount of \$ 920.00 in payment of the extension-of-time fee is enclosed.
10/25/2002 AWONDAF1 00000118 08822186

A. 1

12.	extension-of-time fees requestion this paper, or to credit as	chorized to charge payment of any additional uired under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with my overpayment of same, to Deposit Account copy of this Request is enclosed.
13.	Please charge the extension No. 06-1075. A duplicate	on-of-time fee of \$ to Deposit Account copy of this Request is enclosed.
	October 21, 2002 (Date)	James F. Haley Jr. (Reg. No. 27,794) Karen Mangasarian (Reg. No. 43,772) X Attorney or agent of record Filed under § 1.34(a)

Fish & Neave Customer No. 1473 1251 Avenue of the Americas New York, New York 10020-1105 Tel.: (212) 596-9000



STK-071

Applicants

: David C. Rueger and Marjorie M. Tucker

Application No.:

Filing Date

March 20, 1997

Title

IMPROVED OSTEOGENIC DEVICES AND

OF USE THEREOF FOR REPAIR OF

ENDOCHONDRAL BONE AND OSTEOCHONDRAL

DEFECTS

"Express Mail" mailing label number: <u>EI125462443US</u> Date of Deposit: October 21, 2002

I hereby certify that this paper/fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "EXPRESS MAIL POST OFFICE TO ADDRESSEE" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Hon. Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 2327, Arlington, V.A. 22202.

Encls.:

Transmittal letter for Request for Continued (1)Examination (in duplicate)

- Amendment and Reply to Office Action (2)
- (3) Exhibits A-C
- (4) Petition for Extension of Time (in duplicate)
- Check in the amount of \$740.00 for filing fee (5)
- Check in the amount of 920.00 for three-month extension (6) fee
- Postcard (7)